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Claremont

LOCATION: Claremont, MN 55924

STATUS: Public

TYPE: Historic, Town

HISTORY: Claremont was a station on the West & St. Paul railroad. It was a village of 300 inhabitants on the Zumbro River, near the center of Dodge County and about 16 miles from Mantorville. The town had several windmills that were operated by a stock company. The Presbyterian Church and grade school are located in the original place of settlement in 1866. Claremont originally exported butter, eggs, and other farm produce. Claremont had semi-weekly stage to Rice Lake and Ellington, with mail running daily east and west by rail.

Today, Claremont is an agricultural town of about 600 people. Claremont sends students to Triton Public Schools which also takes students from Dodge Center and West Concord. Claremont is surrounded by agriculture with its main exports being corn and soybeans.

OTHER RESOURCES:

<https://www.dodgecountyhistorical.org/>

https://www.co.dodge.mn.us/Government_and_Links/DODGE_COUNTY_HISTORY.pdf

PROPERTY PICTURES:



Aerial view of Claremont, 1985

Courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society



Windmill at Claremont, 1870s

Courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society



Burning of the elevator at Claremont, 1870

Courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society



Business corner of Claremont, 1910

Courtesy of the Minnesota Historical Society



View of main street Claremont

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Old Claremont Train Depot (front)



Old Claremont Train Depot (back)



Old Claremont Train Depot (interior)